## ULTIMATE GUIDE TO PLAYGROUND GRANT RESOURCES

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#### https://www.grants.gov/

#### **Convenience Comes to Federal Grants**

What is a grant? A grant is a way the government funds your ideas and projects to provide public services and stimulate the economy. Grants support critical recovery initiatives, innovative research, and many other programs listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA).



http://www.aad.org/public/sun/grants.html

#### Shade Sructure Program

The AAD's Shade Structure Grant Program awards grants of up to \$8,000 to public schools and non-profit organizations for installing permanent shade structures for outdoor locations that are not protected from the sun, such as playgrounds, pools, or recreation spaces.



#### https://corporate.homedepot.com

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#### Built from all the right materials

When The Home Depot was founded in 1978, Bernie Marcus & Arthur Blank had no idea how revolutionary this new "hardware store" would be for home improvement and the retail industry.

Today, we're proud to be the world's largest home improvement retailer. In more than 2,200 stores across North America, we aspire to excel in service - to our customers, associates, communities and shareholders. That's what leadership means to us. That's The Home Depot difference.





http://ysa.org/wp-signup.php?new=servenet.org

#### Make it a Summer of Service!

Founded in 1986, Youth Service America® supports a global culture of engaged children and youth committed to a lifetime of meaningful service, learning, and leadership. With half the world's population under age 25, our mission is to help all young people find their voice, take action, and make an impact on vital community issues.



http://www.peacefulplaygrounds.com/grants.html

#### Melinda Bossenmeyer, Ed.D. Past President and Founder

Hi! You may know me by my social media name, the RECESS DOCTOR but my real name is Melinda Bossenmeyer, Ed.D. I spent 29 years in public schools in California as a teacher, principal, and county office administrator.



#### https://www.generalmills.com

#### We bring passion & creativity to our work

We're a worldwide team of 38,000.

Our brands - such as Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Blue Buffalo, Pillsbury, Haagen-Dazs, Annie's and Cascadian Farm, to name a few - are enjoyed in more than 100 countries on six continents.

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#### Caring for people today. Finding cures for tomorrow.

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We're dedicated to advancing quality of life and discovering cures for spinal cord injury in the here and now. There are many ways to get support, get involved and donate to support the Reeve Foundation mission.



http://corporate.mattel.com/about-us/philanthropy...

#### Overview

The Mattel Children's Foundation was established in 1978 and is a separate charitable organization incorporated as a nonprofit public benefit corporation. Since its inception, the Mattel Children's Foundation has focused its strategic grantmaking on one major objective: Improving the lives of children in need.



#### http://www3.hilton.com/en/index.html?WT.srch=1

#### Take Me To The Hilton®

As the most recognized name in the industry, travelers all over the world have been saying "Take me to the Hilton" for almost a century. And because of our innovative approach to products, amenities and service, Hilton continues to be synonymous with hotel across the globe.





#### https://www.lowes.com/

## Focusing on: Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation is committed to supporting projects that improve schools and benefit communities. In 2010, the foundation served both missions through a wide range of grants.



https://www.nps.gov/ncrc/programs/lwcf/index.htm

#### Land and wather conservation fund

The LWCF Program provides matching grants to States and local governments for the acquisition and development of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities (as well as funding for shared federal land acquisition and conservation strategies).



https://newsroom.lowes.com

#### **Serving Communities**

Lowe's strategic philanthropic giving focuses on the critical needs affecting its associates, communities and industry by supporting safe, affordable housing initiatives as well as skilled trade education.

#### https://www2.ed.gov/fund/landing.jhtml?src=rt

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Our mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access. **ED offers three kinds of grants:** 

- Discretionary grants: awarded using a competitive process.
- Student loans or grants: to help students attend college.
- Formula grants: uses formulas determined by Congress and has no application process.



https://corporate.hasbro.com

#### Overview

Hasbro (NASDAQ: HAS) is a global play and entertainment company committed to Creating the World's Best Play Experiences. From toys and games to television, movies, digital gaming and consumer products, Hasbro offers a variety of ways for audiences to experience its iconic brands, including NERF, MY LITTLE PONY, TRANSFORMERS, PLAY-DOH, MONOPOLY, BABY ALIVE and MAGIC: THE GATHERING, as well as premier partner brands.



https://corporate.hasbro.com

#### **Recreational Trails Program**

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is an assistance program of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The RTP provides funds to the States to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for motorized and nonmotorized recreational trail uses.

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https://global.llbean.com

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# THE NEA FOUNDATION, 25

#### https://www.neafoundation.org

#### Overview

The NEA Foundation believes public education should stimulate students' curiosity and excitement about learning and help them become successful 21st-century global citizens.



#### http://for-wild.org/

#### We help you survive in the wild

The African wilderness represents a siren call to many adventurers and travelers. Due to the harsh conditions, wildlife and geography, however, travelers must be prepared to survive in the event that they remain in the wilderness. Before entering the African wilderness, make sure you are knowledgeable and prepared to survive in an emergency.

#### https://toolboxforeducation.com

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#### Lowe's Commitment to the Community

Lowe's Small Toolbox for Education grant program is funded by the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation, which has supported thousands of grassroots community and school projects in the communities where Lowe's does business.

### 24 United States Environmental Protection Agency

#### https://www.epa.gov/education

#### **Our Mission**

EPA works to ensure that:

- Americans have clean air, land and water;
- National efforts to reduce environmental risks are based on the best available scientific information;
- Federal laws protecting human health and the environment are administered and enforced fairly, effectively and as Congress intended;





#### https://captainplanetfoundation.org

#### **Bringing Education to Life!**

Empowering the next generation to create a community of solutions for the planet.

For over twenty-five years, our programs have been helping youth embrace and strengthen their power to create positive change in their schools, communities, and the natural world in which they live. HONDA The Power of Dreams

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#### https://www.honda.com/

#### Largest manufacturer of Two Wheelers

Honda is the world's largest manufacturer of two wheelers, Recognized the world over as the symbol of Honda two wheelers, the 'Wings' arrived in India as Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India Pvt. Ltd. (HMSI), a 100% subsidiary of Honda Motor Company Ltd., Japan, in 1999.



#### https://www.donorschoose.org/

#### Support a classroom. Build a future.

Teachers and students all over the U.S. need your help to bring their classroom dreams to life. Get crayons, books, telescopes, field trips, and more for a classroom today.



https://www.kinf.org/programs/supplyboxes

#### **Our Mission**

The Kids In Need Foundation's mission is to ensure that every child is prepared to learn and succeed in the classroom by providing free school supplies nationally to students most in need. For the 16 million kids who come from families struggling with extreme poverty, getting school supplies can make all the difference in the world to their future success. https://www.plt.org/resources/greenworks-grants/

#### **Bringing Education to Life!**

Project Learning Tree uses trees and forests as windows on the world to increase students' understanding of the environment and actions they can take to conserve it. Since 1976, PLT has reached 135 million students and trained 750,000 educators to help students learn how to think, not what to think about complex environmental issues.

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#### https://www.payitforwardfoundation.org/

#### **Pay It Forward**

The PIFF is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization, established in Sep. of 2000, by Catherine Ryan Hyde, author of the 1999 novel, Pay It Forward. The next year brought the success of the motion picture Pay It Forward, which starred Helen Hunt, the adorable Haley Joel Osment and even Jon Bon Jovi.



https://scholarshipamerica.org/

#### We Have One Passion. Every Student.

At Scholarship America, we're passionate about student success. It's what drives us. And it's what gets us up in the morning — developing leading scholarship solutions and partnering with people who also believe that a student should never, ever give up on their dream because they didn't think it was possible.





#### http://www.mgaef.org/grants.htm

#### **Overview**

The Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation was founded in April 1996 to continue the work of Melinda Gray Ardia.

Melinda Gray Ardia was a biologist, an environmental activist, and a middle school science teacher in Newark, NY. She died in an automobile accident in January 1996.



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#### http://www.americainbloom.org

#### **Our Mission**

America in Bloom promotes nationwide beautification through education and community involvement by encouraging the use of flowers, plants, trees, & other environmental & lifestyle enhancements.

America in Bloom is an independent, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and contributions to AIB are tax deductible.



#### https://www.ripkenfoundation.org/

#### Transform Communities, Change Kids' Lives

Caring mentors, critical life skills, safe places to play and learn—our team pitches in where the need is greatest to guide at-risk youth toward healthier futures.

#### https://www.entsoc.org/about/awards-honors

#### **Overview**

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Each year the Entomological Society of America and the Entomological Society of America Certification Corporation provide annual honors and awards to recognize scientists, educators, and students, who have distinguished themselves through their contributions to entomology.

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#### https://www.neefusa.org/richard-c-bartlett-award

#### Overview

The National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF) is the nation's leading organization in lifelong environmental learning, connecting people to knowledge they use to improve the quality of their lives and the health of the planet. Congressionally chartered in 1990 as a 501c3 nonprofit to complement the work of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), NEEF is a non-partisan, non-advocacy organization working to make the environment more accessible.



#### FISKARS

#### https://www.fiskars.com/

#### Shape outdoor spaces

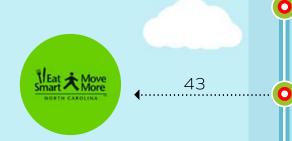
Since 1649, Fiskars has taken pride in providing superior design for passionate people. Founded over three and a half centuries ago in a small Finnish village of the same name, Fiskars has grown to become a leading global supplier of products that help people do the things they love in easier, more enjoyable ways. Find out more about how we got our start, the unlikely origin of our iconic Orange-Handled Scissors and Fiskars' role today as an international brand.



#### https://ussoccerfoundation.org/grants/

#### Overview

The U.S. Soccer Foundation's programs are the national model for sports-based youth development in underserved communities. Since its founding in 1994, the Foundation has established programs proven to help children embrace an active and healthy lifestyle while nurturing their personal growth beyond sports.



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#### https://www.eatsmartmovemorenc.com

#### The Movement

Welcome to Eat Smart, Move More North Carolina, a statewide movement that promotes increased opportunities for healthy eating and physical activity wherever people live, learn, earn, play and pray.



#### https://www.wkkf.org/grantseekers

#### **Putting Children First**

Explore seven grantee stories, letters from our leaders and a look at our Year in Review – each reaffirming WKKF priorities of thriving children, working families & equitable communities, while highlighting the many levels of dynamic interconnections, essential to lasting change. 40

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#### https://www.sportsandsocialchange.org

#### **Overview**

We see sports as a dynamic platform to unite a broad range of audiences and focus their time, energy and resources to address critical social issues. This site offers a comprehensive guide to nonprofits, foundations, NGOs and philanthropic organizations around the world that are affiliated with the teams, athletes and personnel of the amateur and professional sports community and utilize sports as the primary vehicle to empower change.



https://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpao/

#### **CDC** Organization

CDC is one of the major operating components of the Department of Health and Human Services. View CDC's Official Mission Statements/Organizational Charts to learn more about CDC<sup>I</sup>/<sub>2</sub>s organizational structure.



#### https://www.goodsports.org/apply/

#### **Getting All Kids Into The Game**

Good Sports gives all kids the lifelong benefits of sport and physical activity by providing equipment, apparel and footwear to those most in need.





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https://kaboom.org

## We believe that when kids play, we all win

KaBOOM! is the national non-profit dedicated to bringing balanced and active play into the daily lives of all kids, particularly those growing up in poverty in America.



#### http://national.albertsonscompaniesfoundation.org

#### **Our Mission**

Our Foundation supports causes that impact our customers' lives. Our stores provide the opportunity to mobilize funding and create awareness in our neighborhoods through our employees' passion, partnerships with our vendors and the generous contributions by our customers.



#### https://www.staples.com

#### How We Give

From cause marketing and sponsorships to grants and product donations, Staples® supports 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations focused on education and job skills in a variety of ways. In fact, in 2016 we gave more than \$11 million to non-profit organizations around the world.

#### http://www.phitamerica.org/GO\_\_Grants\_2.htm

#### Movement for a fit and healthy America

PHIT America is a cause and campaign dedicated to increasing physical activity and fitness to improve the health of all Americans. PHIT America was launched in January 2013 with the support of more than 100 companies and organizations.



#### https://www.pnc.com

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#### Strengthening and enriching the lives of our neighbors in communities where we live and work

For decades, we have provided resources to seed ideas, foster development initiatives and encourage leadership in nonprofit organizations where imagination and determination are at work enhancing people's lives everyday.

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https://www.speedstacks.com

#### Overview

Sport stacking originated in the early 1980's in southern California and received national attention in 1990 on a segment of the "Tonight Show", with Johnny Carson. That was where it first captured the imagination of Bob Fox, who was then an elementary classroom teacher in Colorado.





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#### https://www.aft.org

#### Overview

The American Federation of Teachers, an affiliate of the AFL-CIO, was founded in 1916 and today represents 1.7 million members in more than 3,000 local affiliates nationwide.

#### https://www.annies.com

#### Connecting kids to real food

Annie Withey believed that it is possible to build a socially conscious and successful business.

This was her goal when she started making delicious Mac & Cheese and selling it from her car trunk when she co-founded the company back in 1989.



#### coloradogardenfoundation.org

#### Overview

Colorado Garden Foundation awards grants to organizations and scholarships to individuals throughout Colorado. In the past 61 years, organizations throughout Colorado have received grants totaling more than \$10 million from Colorado Garden Foundation, a not-forprofit corporation dedicated to furthering the horticultural industry

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#### About The Initiative

Over the past few generations, this country has changed dramatically. We've engineered physical activity out of our daily lives and, to a large extent, removed it from our schools. Unhealthy foods are being sold in larger portion sizes and at lower prices while it remains difficult for many families to buy healthy, affordable foods and beverages.



#### https://www.fns.usda.gov

#### **Our Mission**

Our mission is to increase food security and reduce hunger by providing children and low-income people access to food, a healthful diet and nutrition education in a way that supports American agriculture and inspires public confidence.



https://bonniecabbageprogram.com

#### **Bringing Education to Life!**

In 1996 Bonnie Plants initiated the 3rd Grade Cabbage Program in and around headquarters in Union Springs, Alabama, with a mission to inspire a love of vegetable gardening in young people and grow our next generation of gardeners. By 2002 the program grew to become a national endeavor, including the 48 contiguous states. Each year, Bonnie trucks more than one million free O.S. Cross, or "oversized" cabbage plants to 3rd Grade classrooms across the country\*, whose **teachers have** signed up for the program here.

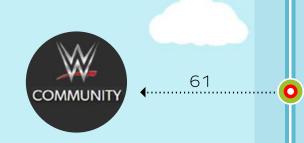
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#### https://www.nokidhungry.org

#### **Our Stories**

When you become part of No Kid Hungry, you're joining a movement of teachers, chefs, community leaders, parents, lawmakers and CEOs with a shared belief: no kid in America should go hungry.



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#### https://community.wwe.com

#### **Our Mission**

Promote a culture of inclusion and respect through programs and partnerships that educate, enrich, and empower people to create a positive social environment for all, regardless of age, race, religion, sexual orientation, or physical or intellectual ability.

http://www.thelunchbox.org

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Our mission is to provide school district administrators, food service directors, and their teams with the tools and resources they need to serve healthy, nutritious, and delicious food to every student, every day. Read on to learn more about the history of The Lunch Box.



#### https://www.wholekidsfoundation.org

### Now more than ever, we need to #GiveBeesAChance.

To celebrate National Pollinator Month, we're raising funds to bring 50 new educational beehives to schools and nonprofits across the nation through our #GiveBeesAChance campaign.



#### https://www.cybergrants.com

#### Achieve Agile Social Impact

We offer robust end-to-end corporate social responsibility software for all your grant management and philanthropy needs so you can achieve Agile Social Impact.